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**Juvenile Treatment Subcommittee**

April 21, 2021 4:00pm-5:00pm

Zoom Meeting

Attendees: Katie Hurley, King County DPD; Jedd Pelander, DCYF; Jermaine Williams, Freedom Project; Jamie Weimer, WASPC; Terrina Peterson, WASPC; Alex Mayo, WA Voices; GayLynn Jackson, Pierce County Sheriff's Office; Joanne Smieja, WA Voices; Elene Lopez, DSHS; Laura Martin, Snohomish County Public Defender's Office; Susan Marks, WCSAP; Jimmy Hung, WAPA; George Yeannakis, WA OPD; David Flynn, SCC; Jennifer Williams, DOC; Maryann Moreno, Superior Court Judges Association, Chad Matthews, Snohomish County Sheriff's Office

**Meeting Notes**

**Welcome & Call to Order**

**Leah** welcomed everyone to the meeting. Meeting participants were asked to mute their microphones when not speaking and asked to use the chat function and "Raise your hand" function through Zoom whenever they would like.

**Leah** reminded people that the meeting was being recorded and the recording could be provided upon request. She told people that if they need to leave early or arrive late that is okay and that they can come and go as they need.

**Leah** invited people to introduce themselves.

**Objective 1 – Review subcommittee assignment**

- **Leah** reminded subcommittee members what the subcommittee was tasked with answering:
  - **Item 2a:**
    - Registration requirements for 16 and 17-year olds as well as minors being prosecuted in adult court and a comparison with other states;
  - **Item 5:**
    - Make recommendations.
- **Leah** provided an overview of the subcommittee process and expected timeline.
  - Subcommittee will meet at least once a month through September.
  - Final recommendations are due to the SOPB by their September 16 board meeting.

- Subcommittee recommendations are decided by majority vote.
- Once final recommendations are submitted to the full SOPB, the SOPB will vote on what to include in their report. Once the report is drafted the SOPB will review the report and then edits can be made. Once the report is finalized, it is submitted to OFM for a communications review.
  - **Leah** emphasized that at this time changes will be made to wording but the spirit of the item will not change. Should people have concerns though, they can always reach out.
- **Leah** added that she would send out a subcommittee timeline.

## **Objective 2 – Project Proposal**

- **Leah** proposed that the group begin by reviewing the current practices registration requirements for 16- and 17-year olds, registration requirements for minors prosecuted in adult courts.
  - The group would then compare WA juvenile registration and notification requirements with other states.
  - After review of current practice the group could move into formulating recommendations.
- **Leah** asked **Jamie Weimer** if she thought it would be appropriate to include school notification.
  - **Jamie** said yes.
  - **Leah** asked if there should be a presentation on school notification.
    - **Terrina** said yes, and that this was something WASPC could provide.
- **Leah** asked if anyone else had feedback.
  - **Jedd** said when he read the letter, he took the third item as all encompassing of juveniles, but it seemed that the registration question may only apply to those aged 16 and 17.
    - **Leah** said the group could look at juvenile registration as a whole.
    - **Jedd** said he thought looking at all state registration practices would be helpful.
- **Tim Kahn** asked **Leah** if she had information on what other states do for registering.
  - **Leah** said she had a few articles she had been working through from various sources. She added that she had just done her own survey, but that there is information from the SMART Office as well as an article that was published in 2011 that looks at all 50 states. She said that she needs to make sure the article from 2011 is up to date and that will require checking in with states.
  - **Jedd** said he is the commissioner for the interstate compact and they send a fair amount and receive a fair amount of youth with problematic sexual behavior and he can share some information on requirements for juveniles in other states as well.
- **Laura Martin** asked if when information was being compiled on this, if they would be able to see recidivism in those states that don't require juveniles to register.
  - **Leah** said she couldn't guarantee that this information would be there, but she would try and collect it as she comes across that information.

**Next Steps:**

- WASPC will help coordinate a presentation on current registration requirements, notification, and school notification at the next meeting.
  - **Jedd** said he could help add additional information to this.
- **Leah** said she would send a project timeline out to the group.
- **Terrina** said she would help with reaching out to other states to verify their requirements.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THE JUVENILE REGISTRATION SUBCOMMITTEE**

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Chair Jedd Pelander

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